

MASTER HUNTER CODE OF ETHICS

As a master hunter, I am a steward of the future of hunting. I pledge to act in accordance with the highest ethical standards. I will display proper respect for game, landowners, other hunters, the public, all fish and wildlife laws. I pledge to be a conscientious, committed hunter who cares about the future of hunting. I will assume a leadership role among my peers and will do so by exhibiting exemplary conduct in the field. As a Master Hunter, I shall play a key role in improving relationships with all landowners, thus ensuring continued hunter access to private and public lands. I pledge to continue to expand my knowledge of wildlife and natural resource management practices and understand the role I play in these practices.

I pledge to be a “Steward of the hunt.”

Master Hunter General Information and Orientation

Sponsored by:

Master Hunter Advisory Group
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife



Agenda

- ❑ Introductions (Aaron Garcia)
- ❑ MHPP Overview
 - ❑ History
 - ❑ Mission
 - ❑ Volunteer Opportunities
 - ❑ Coordinators
 - ❑ What Qualifies as a MH Project
 - ❑ CERVIS (What is it?, How does it work?)

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- ❑ Strategic plan

❑ Community Outreach

- ❑ National Hunting and Fishing Day

- ❑ Corn Stubble Project

- ❑ Youth Hunts

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❑ Wildlife Conflict/Damage Control Activities

- ❑ Purpose

- ❑ Challenges

- ❑ Guidelines

- ❑ Ethic

❑ Master Hunter General Season Hunts

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- ❑ Specific Hunts

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- ❑ Master Hunter Special Permit Hunts
 - ❑ Roles
 - ❑ Specific Permits/Lists
- ❑ Laws, Rules, Violations, Etc.
- ❑ Questions and Answers

Master Hunter Permit Program

Dave Whipple

Hunter Education Division Manager

Wildlife Program

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife



Master Hunter Permit Program

- Master Hunter Permit Program (MHPP) replaced the Advance Hunter Education Program in 2008, due to issues w/ the former program
- Commission developed a formal policy for the new program
- ~1,700 master hunters (MHs) currently in the program

Master Hunter Permit Program

- Designed to:
 - Help WDFW resolve human/wildlife conflicts
 - Help WDFW meet priority goals
 - Promote responsible hunting
 - Strengthen the conservation ethic and the image/heritage of hunting

Master Hunter Permit Program

- Emphasizes safe, lawful, and ethical hunting while upholding the highest standards
- MHs play a key role in improving relationships with landowners to promote access to private lands

Commission Policy, Dec 2007

- MHs are a tool employed by WDFW to help resolve certain human/wildlife conflicts
- Fundamental to the policy is MH certification is a privilege and not a right.
- Many hunting situations will be highly visible to the public, may be on private property, and will require good judgment and professional conduct.

Commission Policy Continued

- Violations of any Department regulations will not be tolerated
 - Reflected in law (RCW 77.15.760)
 - Reflected in rule (WAC 232.12.073)
- MHs are role models for the rest of the hunting community and, through their actions, act as ambassadors for the Department.

Wildlife Program Policy

- Hunter Education Division (and MHPP) transferred from Enforcement to Wildlife Program July 1, 2013
- Wildlife Program Policy Statement builds on existing commission policy by emphasizing the volunteer component

Wildlife Program Policy Continued

- MHs are “Stewards of the Hunt” and give back to the wildlife resource
- Wildlife Program staff will work w/ the Master Hunter Advisory Group to:
 - I.D. meaningful MH volunteer opportunities that promote the conservation ethic and address priority needs of Wildlife Program and the agency
 - Coordinate and manage MH volunteer efforts

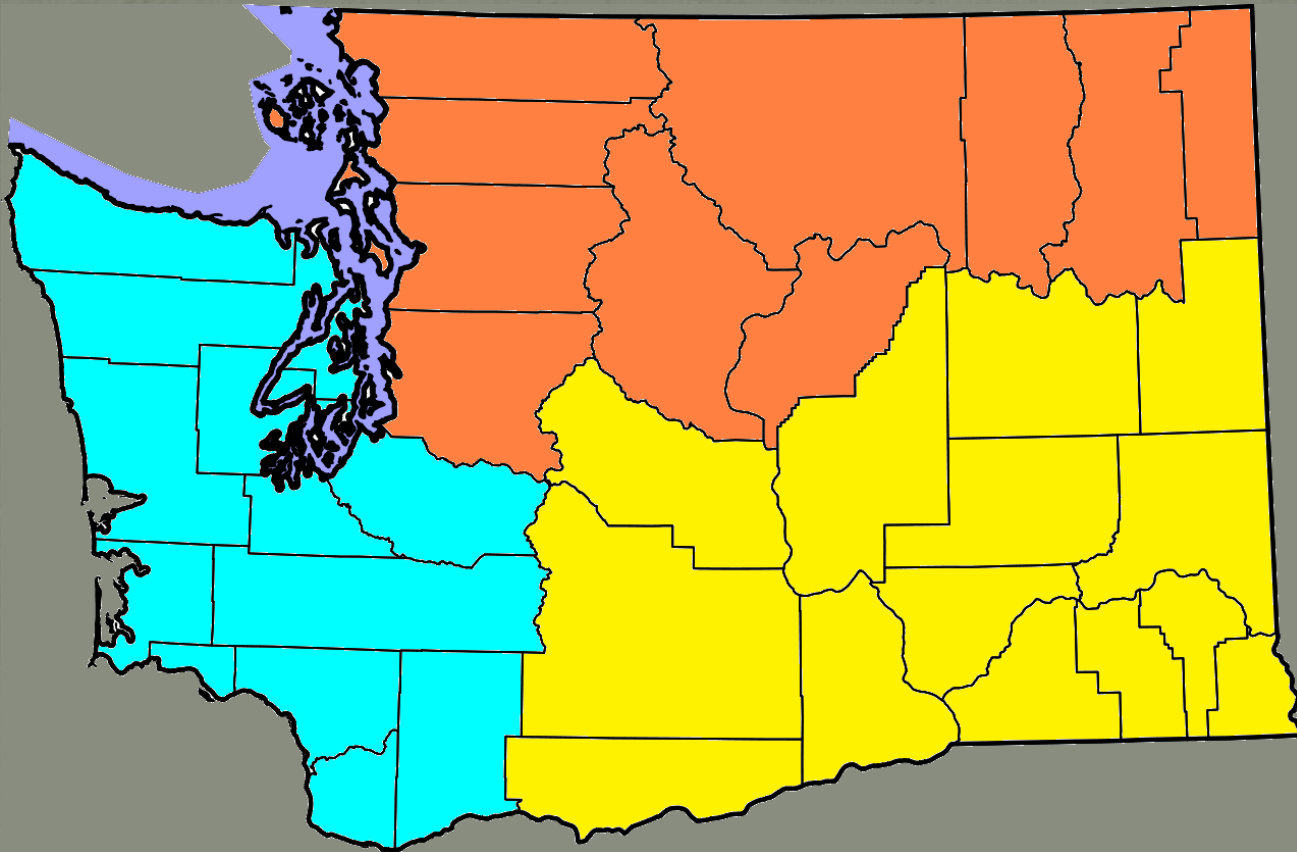
Wildlife Program Policy Continued

- Focus areas for volunteer projects:
 - Increase hunter access to private lands
 - Increase hunter recruitment and retention
 - Protect and enhance important habitat
 - Participation in citizen science/wildlife data collection
 - Serve as an administrative or coordination role for a volunteer network

MH Coordination Investments

- New Hunter Education/Volunteer Coordinators
 - Expanded areas to cover the entire state
- They help coordinate agency projects with MHs
- Increases volunteer opportunities for MHs

Volunteer Coordinators



- Steve Dazey (425-775-1311 Ext 106)
- Aaron Garcia (509-575-2740 Ext 308)
- Bill Montgomery (360-902-8413)

CERVIS

- Online Volunteer Portal
 - Lists available projects
 - Tracks service hours
- Can be used instead of paper forms for MH service hours
- Use is encouraged and will become more common in the near future.
- HOW TO USE IT – Handout

Registering with CERVIS

To register as a volunteer in CERVIS you will need to create a volunteer profile. You will be asked to provide some information about yourself, answer a few questions and review and accept the terms and conditions of our volunteer agreement. Here are step-by-step directions describing how to complete that process.

<http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/about/volunteer/>

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Click here!

Register to Volunteer

Volunteer
Login

**Register as a
volunteer today!**

CERVIS
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WDFW Volunteer Program Event Listing & Registration

■ FOR VOLUNTEERS...

- [Orientation for New Volunteers](#)
- [How to Register](#)
- [How to Log Service Hours](#)

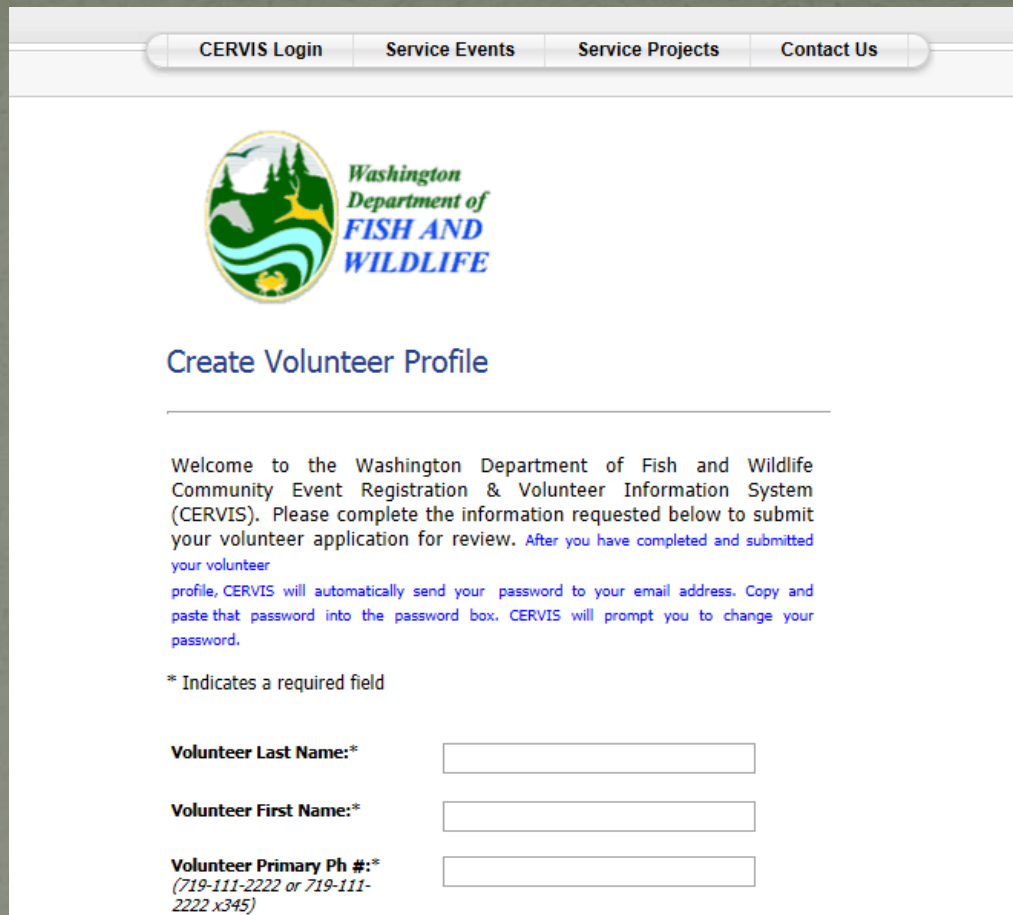
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The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the CERVIS website with links for 'CERVIS Login', 'Service Events', 'Service Projects', and 'Contact Us'. Below the navigation bar is the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife logo, which features a circular emblem with a fish, trees, and water, and the text 'Washington Department of FISH AND WILDLIFE'. The main heading is 'Create Volunteer Profile'. A welcome message states: 'Welcome to the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Community Event Registration & Volunteer Information System (CERVIS). Please complete the information requested below to submit your volunteer application for review. After you have completed and submitted your volunteer profile, CERVIS will automatically send your password to your email address. Copy and paste that password into the password box. CERVIS will prompt you to change your password.' A note indicates that an asterisk (*) denotes a required field. There are three input fields: 'Volunteer Last Name:*', 'Volunteer First Name:*', and 'Volunteer Primary Ph #:* (719-111-2222 or 719-111-2222 x345)'.

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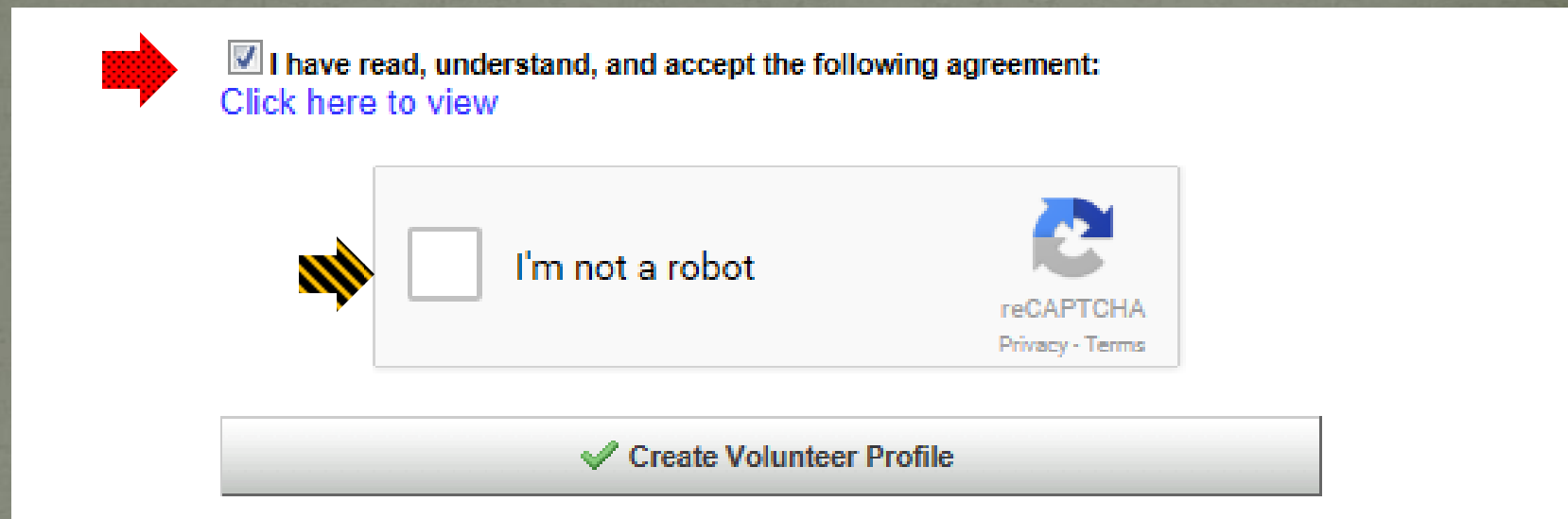
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To create a profile/register in CERVIS you are required to provide the following:

- First and last name
- Phone number
- Email address
- Emergency contact name and phone number

You will also be asked to indicate if you have ever received a fish and wildlife citation or felony conviction and if you are 14 and over or 18 and over.

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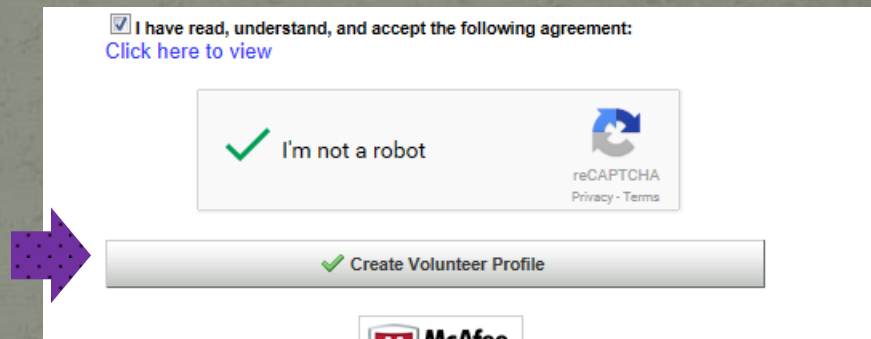
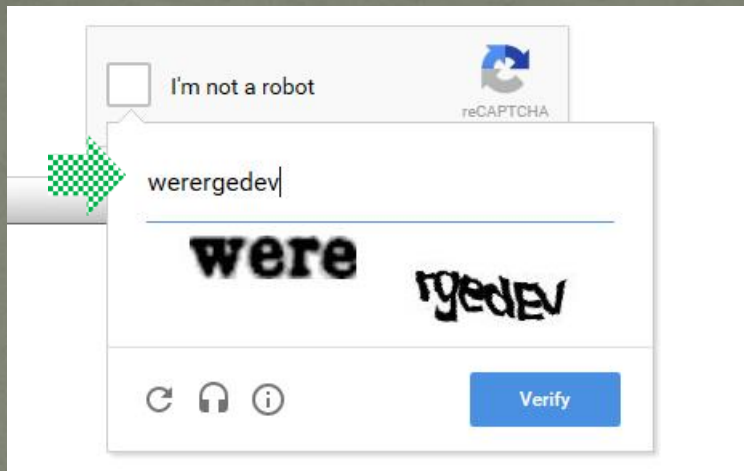
A screenshot of a web form for creating a volunteer profile. At the top, a red arrow points to a checked checkbox with the text "I have read, understand, and accept the following agreement:" and a blue link "Click here to view". Below this, a yellow arrow points to a CAPTCHA box containing an unchecked checkbox, the text "I'm not a robot", and the reCAPTCHA logo with links for "Privacy" and "Terms". At the bottom of the form is a large button with a green checkmark icon and the text "Create Volunteer Profile".

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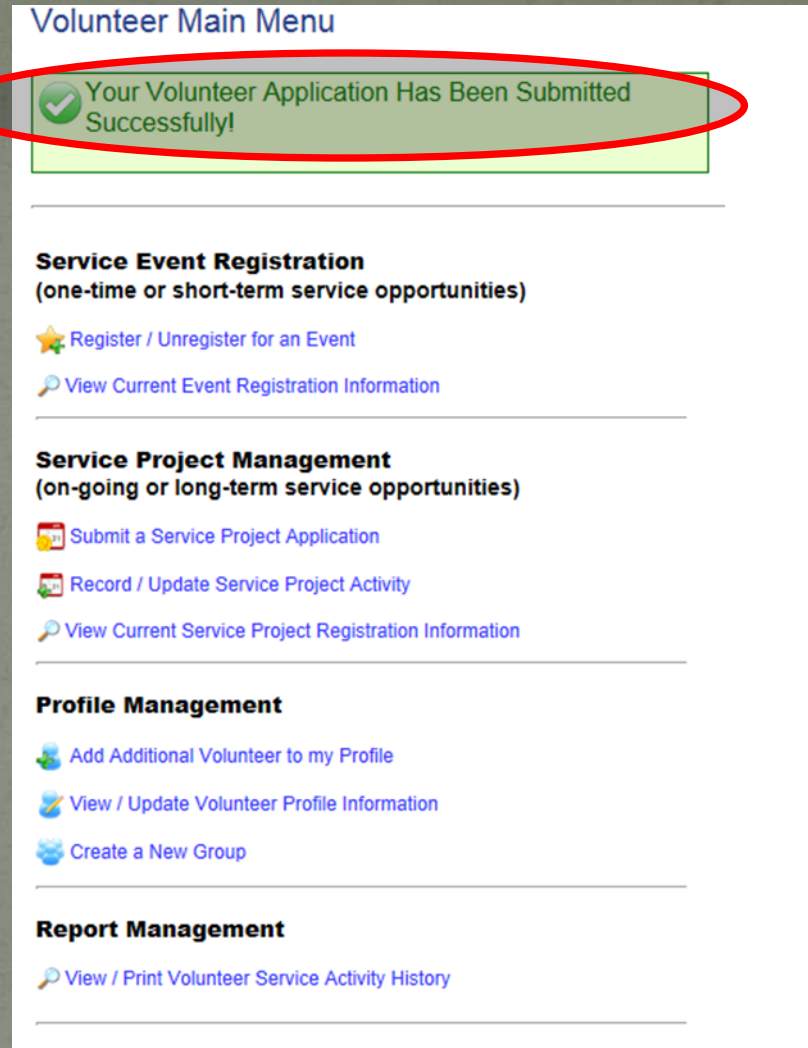
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- Type the text that that pops up and then click “Verify”.
 - To complete the process click on the “Create Volunteer Profile” tab.


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Hoo!
Good Job!





The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Volunteer Main Menu". At the top, a green banner with a checkmark icon and the text "Your Volunteer Application Has Been Submitted Successfully!" is highlighted with a red oval. A red arrow points from the celebratory text on the left towards this banner. Below the banner, the menu is organized into sections: "Service Event Registration (one-time or short-term service opportunities)" with links for "Register / Unregister for an Event" and "View Current Event Registration Information"; "Service Project Management (on-going or long-term service opportunities)" with links for "Submit a Service Project Application", "Record / Update Service Project Activity", and "View Current Service Project Registration Information"; "Profile Management" with links for "Add Additional Volunteer to my Profile", "View / Update Volunteer Profile Information", and "Create a New Group"; and "Report Management" with a link for "View / Print Volunteer Service Activity History".

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You will also receive an email that will give you a temporary password so you can access your profile any time.

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Volunteer Opportunities

Citizen Science Volunteer Opportunities
St. Helens Land Access Program
Herding, Hazing, and Fence Repair/Construction
Adopt an Access Program
Regional Fisheries Enhancement Groups
Marine Resource Committees (MRCs)

Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife Volunteer Program

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[CERVIS Admin Login](#)

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Step 1: Register as a volunteer today!

Step 2: Sign up for a Volunteer Opportunity

Events
These opportunities are one-time events that may last for a day or weekend.

Service Projects
These opportunities are ongoing projects you may volunteer to assist with on a regular basis.

Other Volunteer Opportunities and Programs

- St. Helens Land Access Program
A great opportunity to help provide hunting access in Southwest Washington!

Receive a complimentary Discover Pass

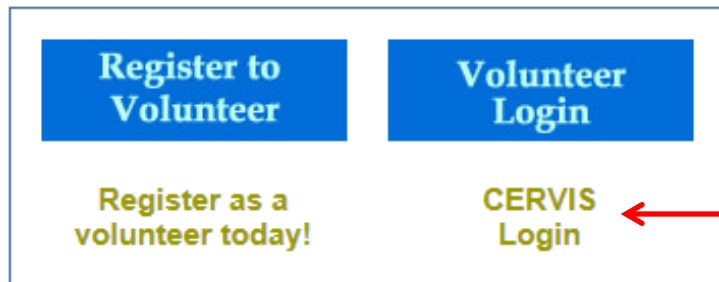
Volunteers who work 24 hours on agency-approved projects may be eligible to earn a complimentary annual pass. Eligible projects are those located or occurring on "Discover Pass required" posted sites managed by the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Discover Pass posted sites include wildlife areas and recreational water access sites. Eligible projects may include stewardship, maintenance such as the Adopt-An-Access program, interpretation and data collection and analysis (such as Citizen Science projects) that enhance staff efforts to successfully manage fish, wildlife and habitat on department lands. For more information about how to qualify for a complimentary Discover Pass please visit: www.discoverpass.wa.gov

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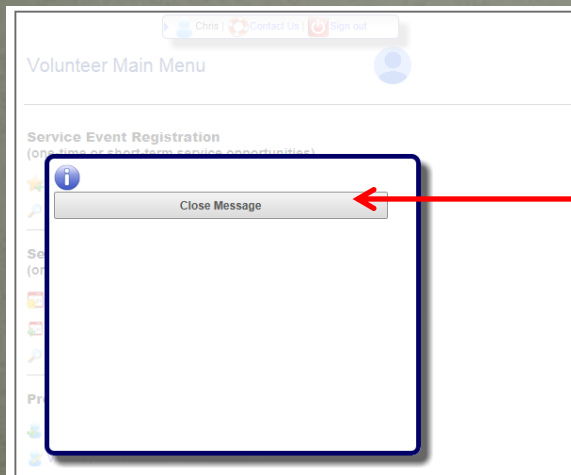
If you need assistance creating your profile in CERVIS please contact the department's volunteer program manager, Christine Redmond 360-902-8303.

To log-in to CERVIS from: <http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/about/volunteer/>



This screenshot shows the "WDFW Volunteer Program CERVIS Sign in" page. At the top right is a "Contact Us" link. Below it is a blue box with an information icon and the text "Please enter your E-mail address and CERVIS password below!". There are two input fields: one for the email address (highlighted in yellow) and one for the password. Below the password field is a checkbox labeled "Remember my profile" which is checked. At the bottom is a "Sign in to CERVIS" button and a link "Don't Know Password / Reset Password" with an information icon. A red arrow points from the "CERVIS Login" text in the previous screenshot to the top of this page.

If there are any messages for you they will appear on this screen when you log-in. Click on "Close Message" to proceed to your profile.



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Account Management

 [Change Password](#)

Events and service projects are two different categories. These links will show you what events and service projects are currently recruiting volunteers. With these links you can register for events and apply to participate in service projects.

You can use this link to log your hours for any service project that you are registered for and has been set up to allow this feature. Your volunteer supervisor can tell you what method to use for reporting your hours.

You can use this link to make changes to your profile, such as updating your contact information or interests.

You can use this link to see and print your service history in the CERVIS system. If you have hours that you have submitted in emails or paper forms they will not appear on this list.

WDFW Contacts for MHs

- **Tracy Loveless**
 - Customer Service, Olympia
 - (360) 902-8412, tracy.loveless@dfw.wa.gov
- **Kris Thorson**
 - MHPP Liaison, Olympia
 - (360) 902-8410, kristopher.thorson@dfw.wa.gov
- **Aaron Garcia**
 - Region 3 Hunter Education and Volunteer coordinator, Yakima
 - (509)575-2740 Ext 308, aaron.garcia@dfw.wa.gov
- **Steve Dazey**
 - Region 4 Hunter Education and Volunteer coordinator, Mill Creek
 - (425) 775-1311 Ext 106, steven.dazey@dfw.wa.gov
- **Bill Montgomery**
 - Region 6 Hunter Education and Volunteer coordinator, Olympia
 - (360) 902-8413, william.montgomery@dfw.wa.gov

Master Hunter Advisory Group (MHAG)



Carissa Craghead

MHAG Member and Secretary

Region 2, Moses Lake

Why We're Here

- Provide information on the Master Hunter Advisory Group (MHAG)
- Support the goals of the MHPP and MHAG
- Promote the communication linkage between MHs and their regional MHAG representatives
- Help reinforce the goals of MHPP

Master Hunter Advisory Group

Role

- Represents MHs statewide
- Consists of MHs from each Region
- Advises WDFW on issues and opportunities affecting MH and MHPP
- Help WDFW conduct MH meetings targeting communities and stakeholders to help resolve local issues and concerns

Master Hunter Advisory Group

Mission Statement

- Develop a corps of hunters dedicated to preserving the heritage of hunting by giving back to the sport, displaying the highest standards of conduct, and working to conserve wildlife habitat and hunting opportunity.

MHAG Strategic Plan

- Developed by WDFW and MHAG subgroup
- Adopted by MHAG
- Focus areas:
 - Youth Hunts
 - Education and training for new and existing hunters
 - Improving the image of MHs and the MHPP

MHAG Strategic Plan

- Near-term Priorities:
 - Use MH skills and contacts to develop opportunities for youth where there is a good chance of success
 - Utilize MHs at public events like clinics, sports shows, seminars, etc.
 - Increase visibility of MHPP benefits and accomplishments to the public

Youth Hunting Access

- MHPP using Corn Stubble Program to increase waterfowl hunting days for youth in Regions 2 and 3
- Master hunters in Regions 2 and 3 may be asked to participate with locating landowners
- Biologists will increase youth dates on properties MH's help secure

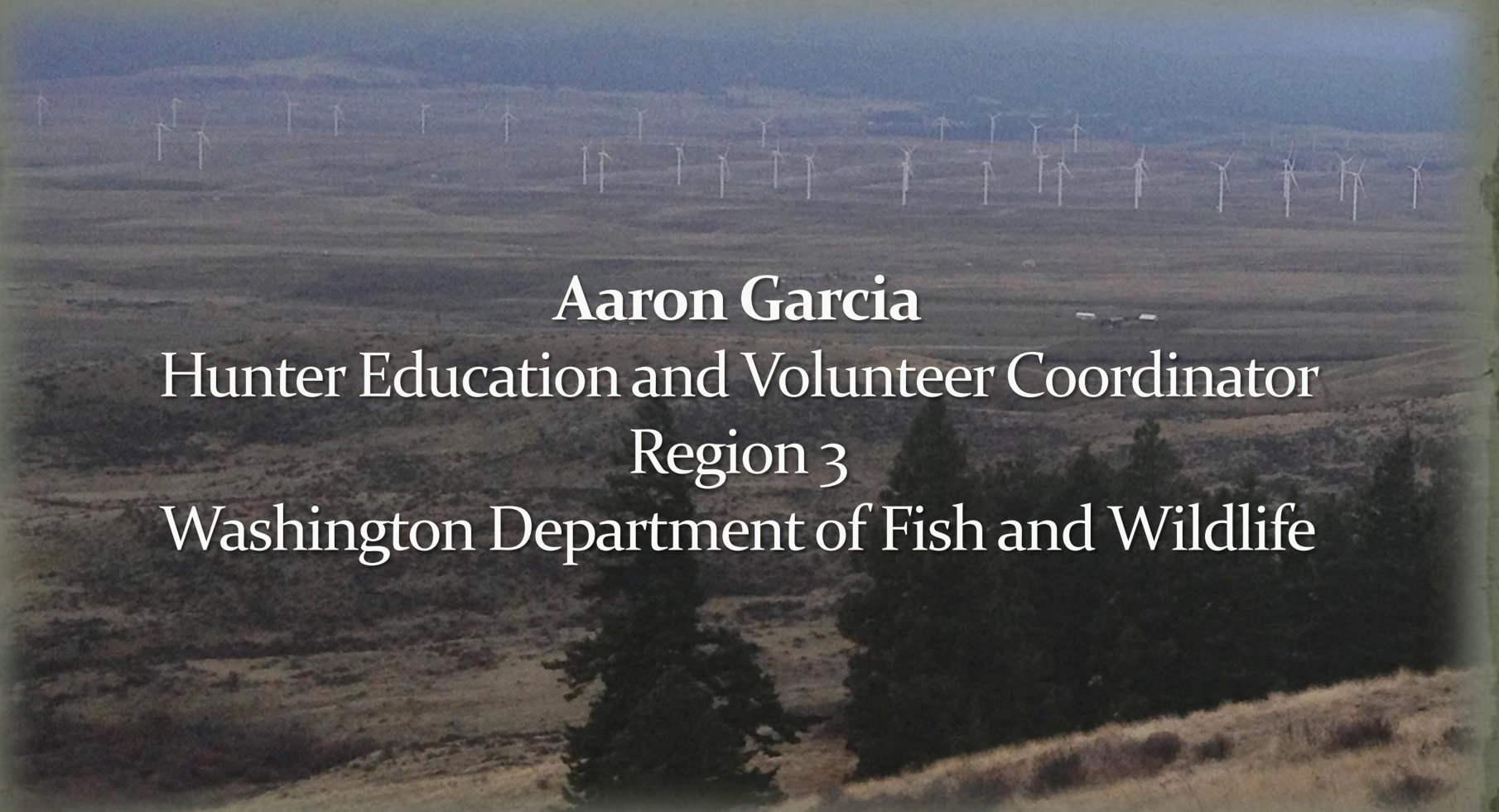
Wildlife Conflict and Damage Control Activities

Aaron Garcia

Hunter Education and Volunteer Coordinator

Region 3

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

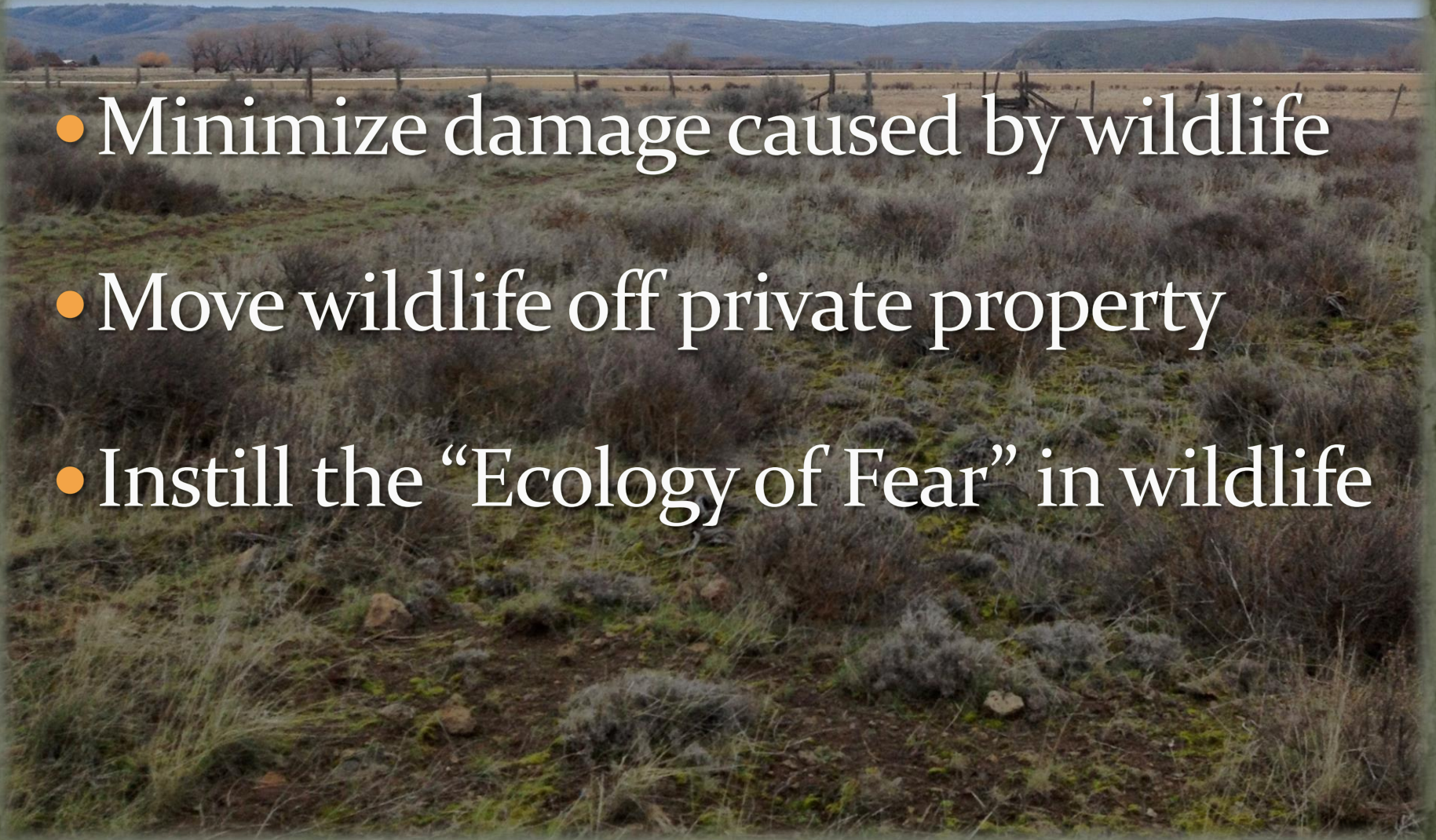


WDFW is Responsible For Managing Wildlife Damage to Crops on Private Land



WDFW Conflict Goals

- Minimize damage caused by wildlife
- Move wildlife off private property
- Instill the “Ecology of Fear” in wildlife



Crop Damage



Irrigation Pipe



Fence Damage



Challenges

- Landowner expectations
- Wildlife behavior
- Weather patterns
- General public perceptions

Strategies to meet conflict goals

- MH general seasons August 1 – January 20
- MH special permits July 1 – March 31
- Second tag for 3911 to encourage early season hunting pressure and harvest
- Landowner permits
- Hazing

Landowner Permits

- Damage Prevention Permits
 - Issued to landowner
 - Landowner can harvest or select another licensed hunter
 - Landowner may charge access fees
- Kill Permit
 - Only for landowner and immediate family

Roles for MH General Seasons

- Game Division Staff
 - Present rules to set general seasons to the Commission
 - May post activity updates to the website to assist in control activities

Roles for MH General Seasons

- Landowners
 - May allow access to their property if approached in advance. Some welcome MHs. Volunteer projects may help you make contacts.
 - ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ALLOW ACCESS. Trespassing is a big problem in some MH general seasons.

Roles for MH General Seasons

- Master hunter
 - Scout and know the area prior to the season.
 - Make efforts to meet with landowners for access.
 - Take safe, effective shots that will result in a quick and humane harvest. The property next door may not let you recover a harvested animal.

Roles for MH General Seasons

- Master hunter continued
 - Plan your hunt activities with these goals in mind:
 - Move animals away from agricultural areas into wildlife area/winter grounds
 - Limit damage to fencing
 - Improve the image of MHs
 - Be aware that you are being watched by the public. Keep to your highest ethical standards.

Early MH General Season Challenges

- Hot weather
 - Personal safety – hydrate and watch for heat injuries
 - Have a plan for after the shot – need to immediately cool the meat
- Safety
 - Non-hunters, agricultural workers and general public in the field

Helpful Hints



- ID property owners through county assessor's web page
- Contact landowners well in advance of the season to secure access
- Push animals away from croplands
- Pursue volunteer opportunities through WDFW Coordinators

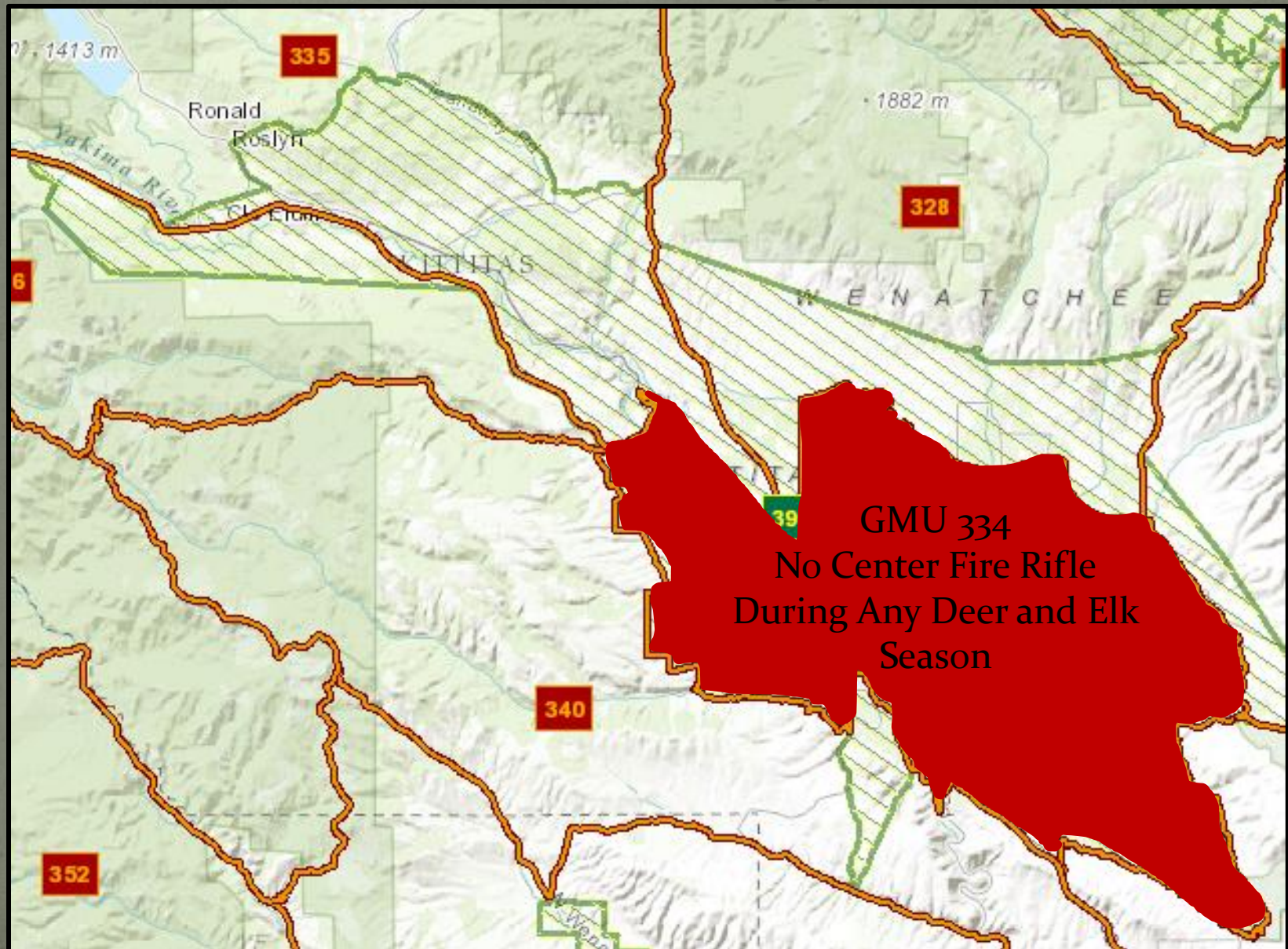
MH General Seasons

- 3911 – Fairview
 - August 1st – Oct 28th
 - 3911 Second Tag required
 - November 12th – December 15th
 - Unused general season tag
- 3912 – Old Naches
 - August 1, 2015 – January 20, 2017
- 371 – Alkali
 - August 1, 2015 – January 20, 2017

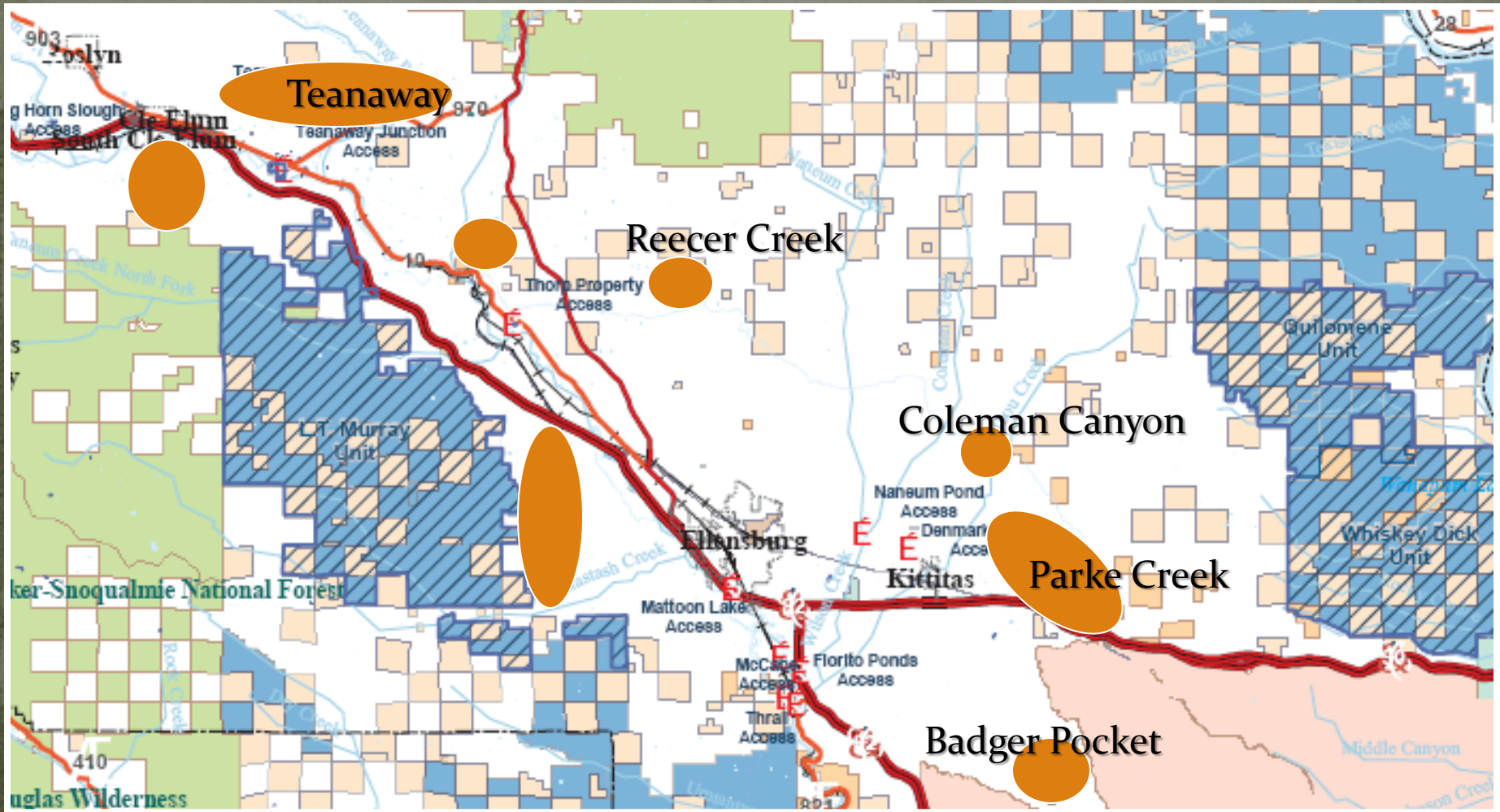
MH General Seasons

- 3722 – Blackrock
 - September 7 – September 22.
 - Elk Area 3722 is mainly private property. Hunters are not advised to try hunting this area without making prior arrangements for access.
- 127- Mica Peak
 - December 9th –December 31st
- 130 – Cheney
 - December 9th –December 31st
- 6064 – Quinault Valley
 - November 5th – November 16th
 - A selected portion of GMU 638, subject to regular General Season Rules – 3pt min.

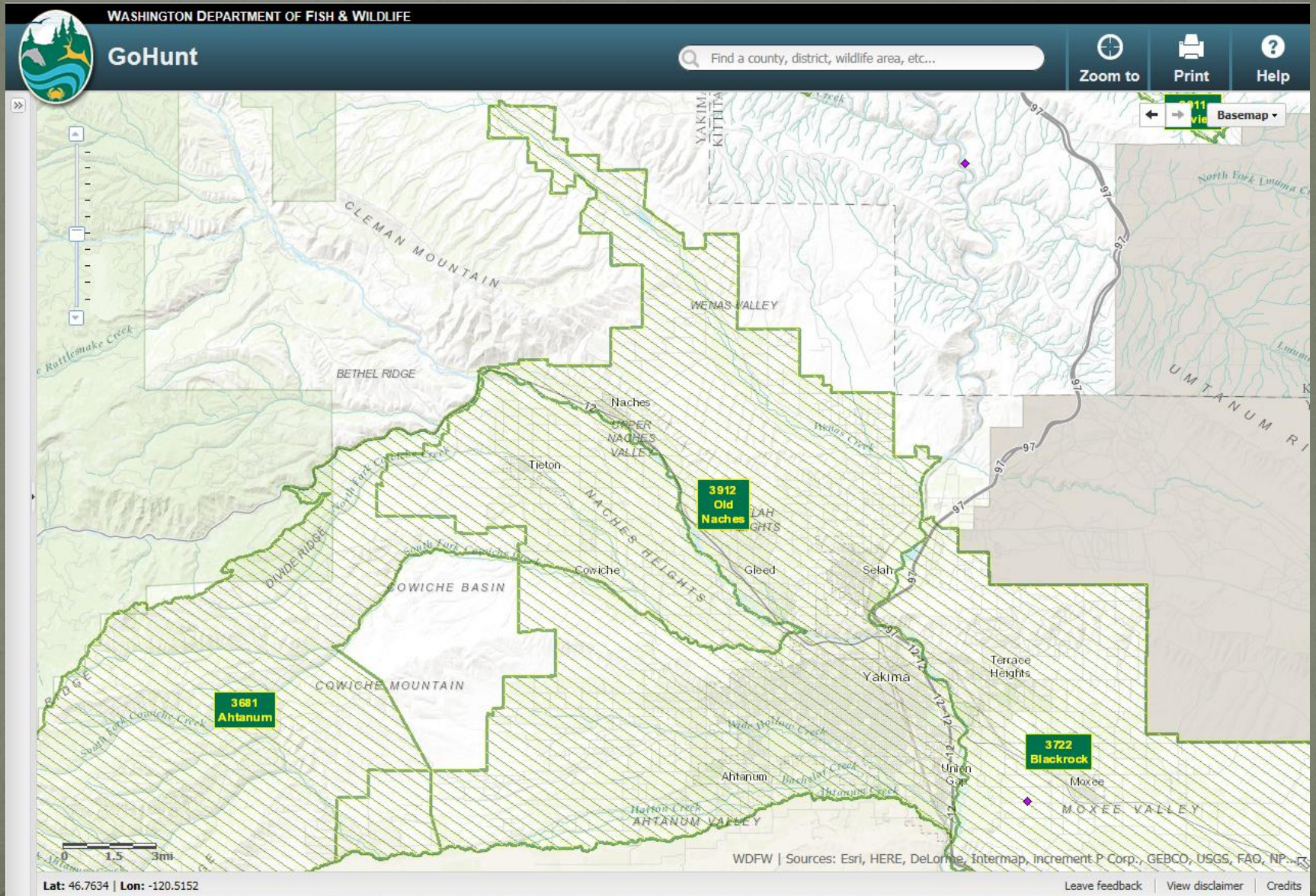
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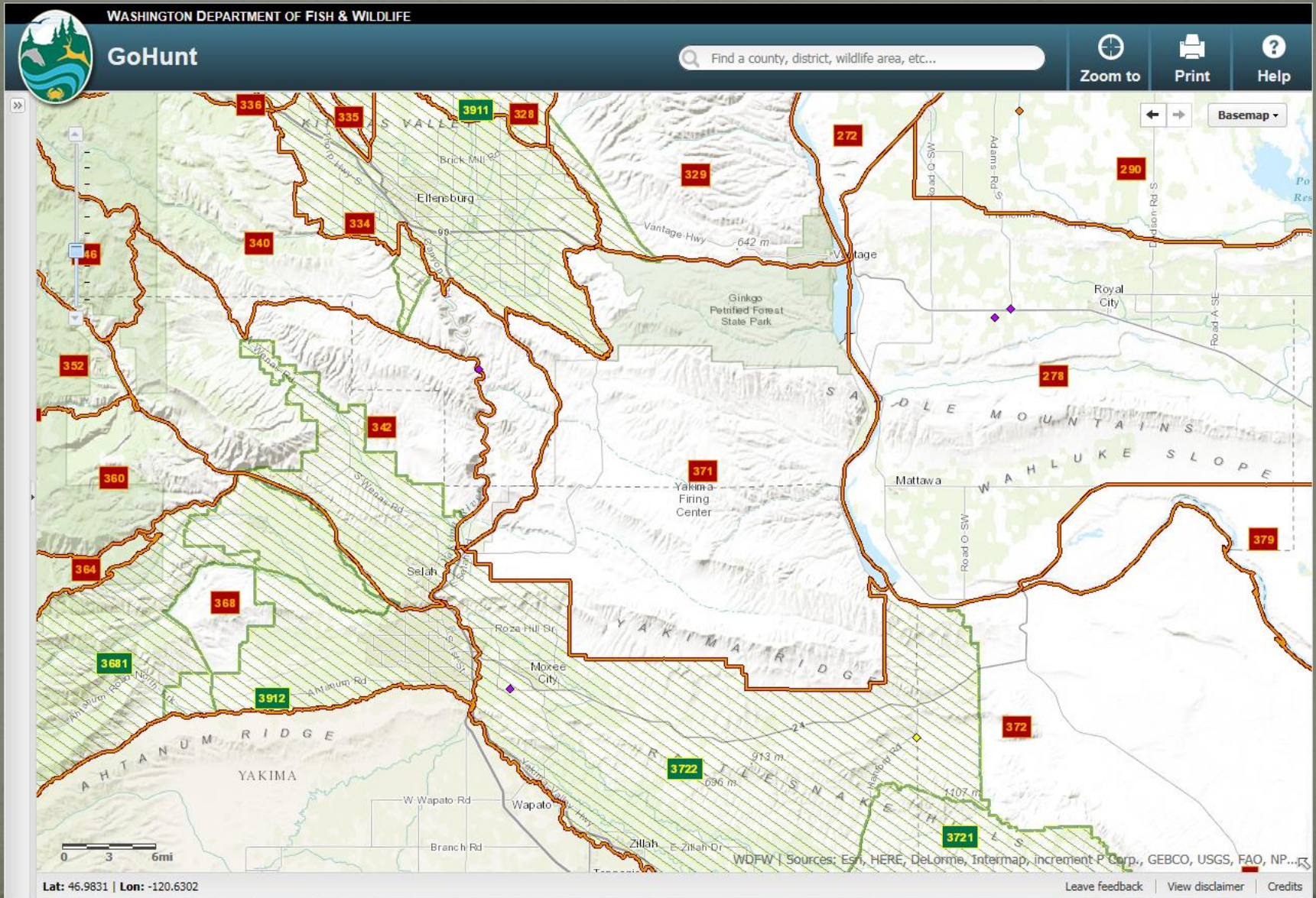
Kittitas County Elk Damage Hotspots



Elk Area 3912



GMU 371



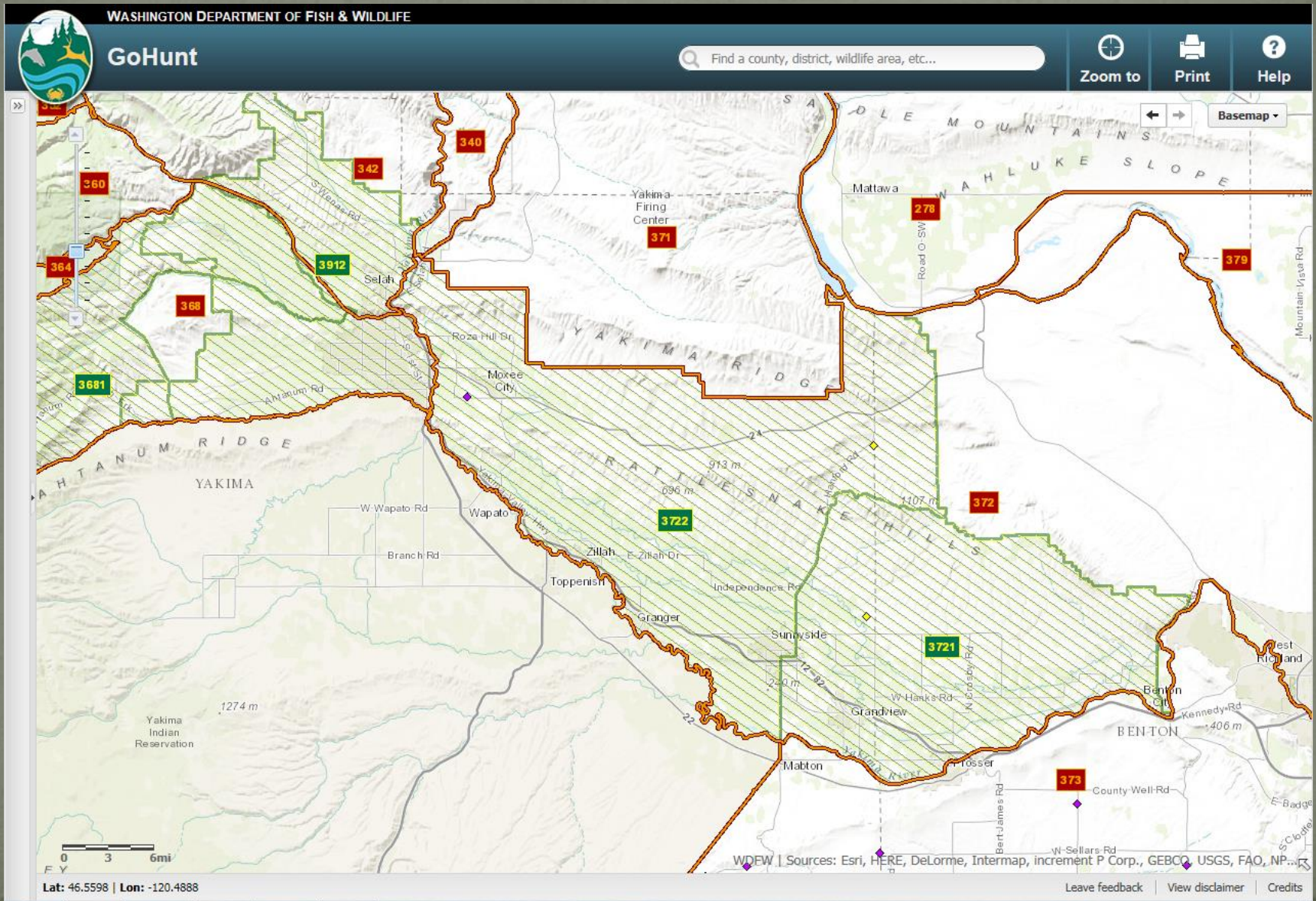
Yakima Training Center

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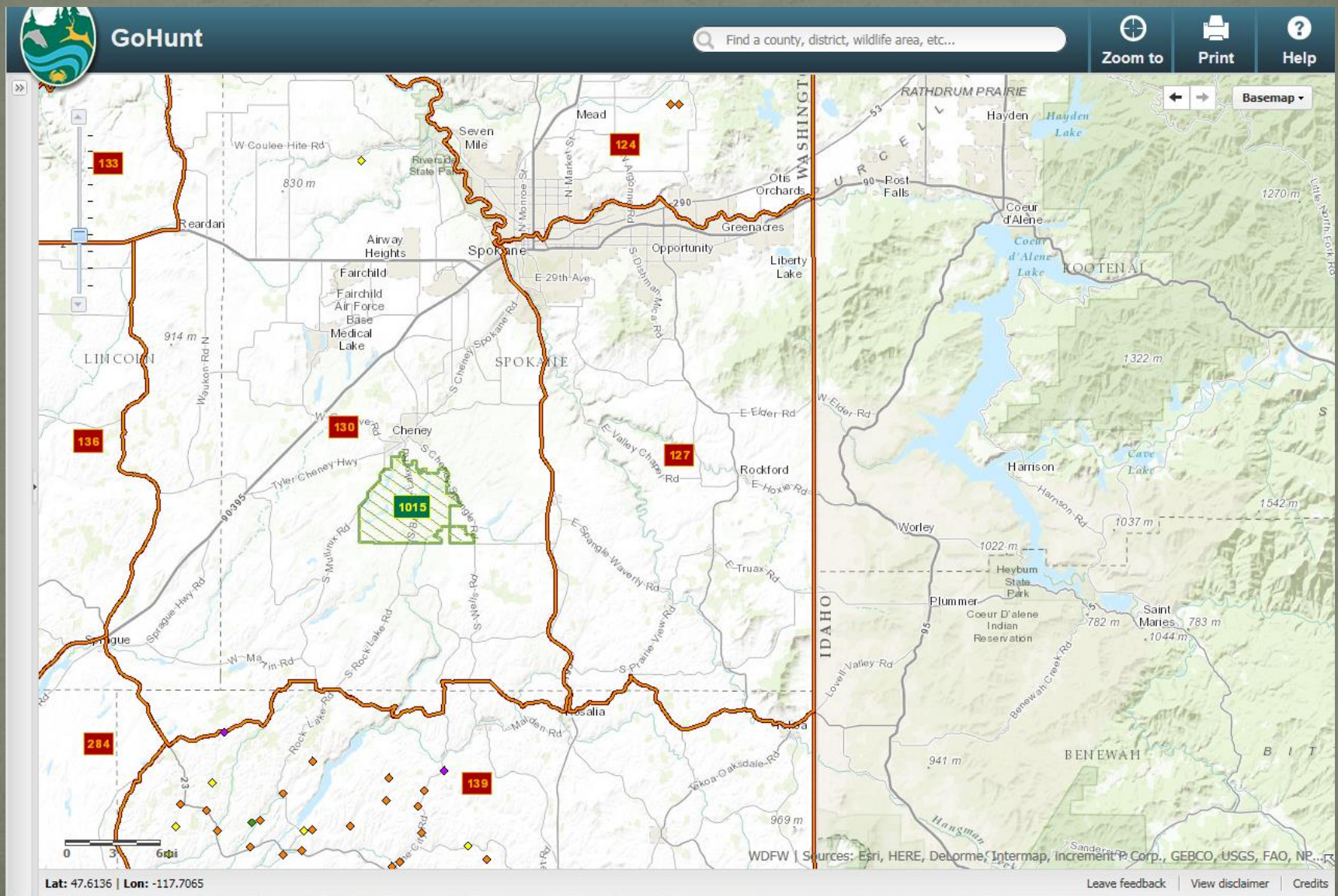
Outdoor Recreation Access Policy:

- The Yakima Training Center (YTC) is open to the public for hunting, bird watching, mountain biking, horseback riding, hiking, falconry, archery target range, use of the Juvenile Fishing Pond, etc.
- Individuals visiting YTC for recreational purposes are required to comply with YTC Policy Statement #28, Outdoor Recreation.
- Recreational cards are issued to recreational visitors upon completion of a briefing.
- All recreational visitors to training areas are required to sign in/out with Range Operations prior to entering/departing training areas.

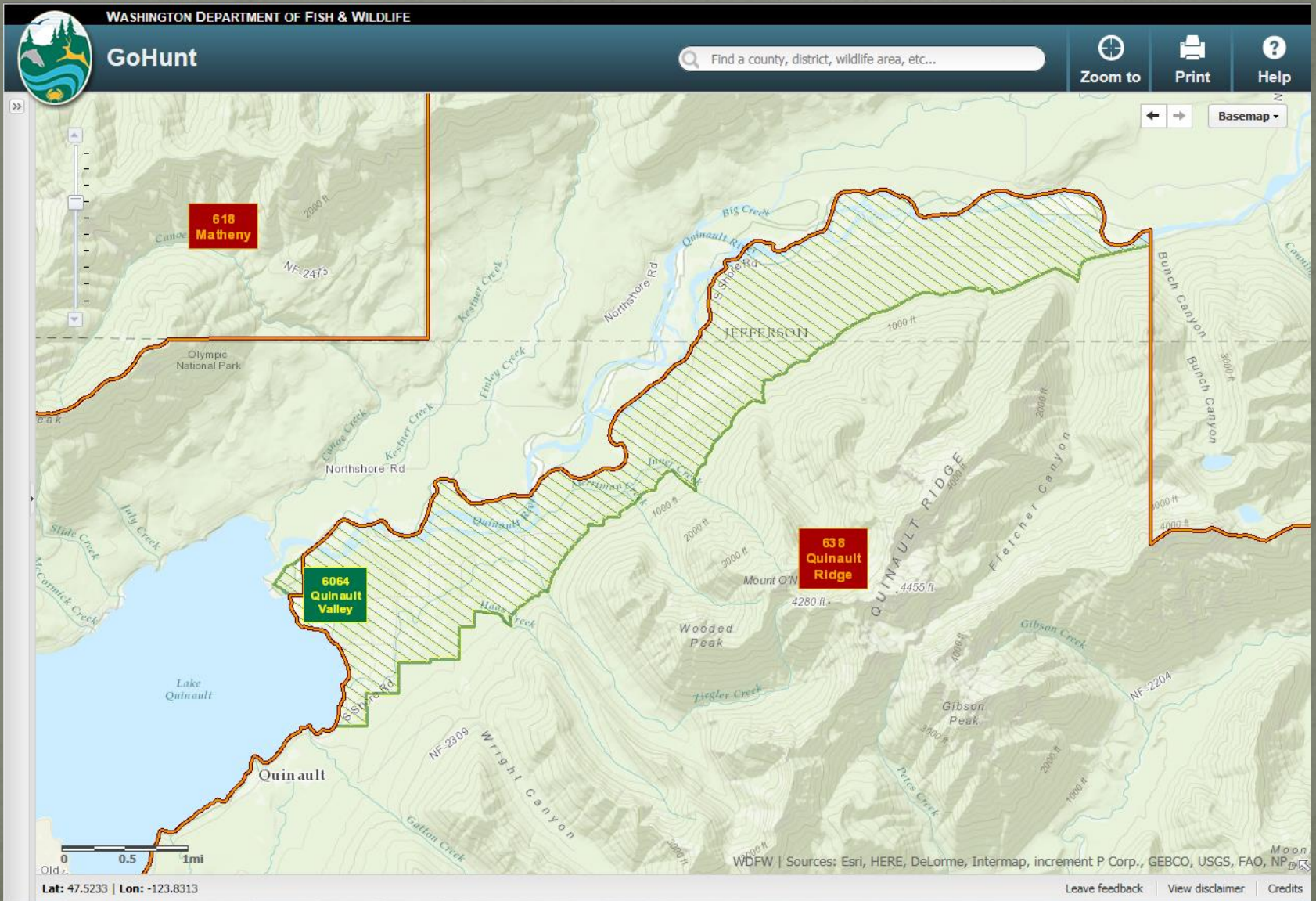
Elk Area 3722



GMUs 127 and 130



Elk Area 6064



REMEMBER

- Landowners are not required to allow access for MHs
- Respect their wishes and requests.



Roles for MH Special Permits

- Conflict Specialist
 - Monitor damage caused by wildlife and develop a plan to address
 - Work with landowners
 - Deploys MHs to remove wildlife causing damage
 - Direct activities of volunteer hunt coordinator (if used)

Roles for MH Special Permits

- Landowner
 - Allows MH to participate in removal of an animal on their property
 - Works with the Conflict Specialist to specify areas, notes safety concerns
 - Controls access – if they don't want someone on the property, they can choose to not allow that person on their property.

Roles for MH Special Permits

- Volunteer Hunt Coordinator
 - Follows the direction from the Conflict Specialist
 - Calls the MH on the list as directed by Conflict Specialist
 - Arranges the hunt per the directions of the Conflict Specialist

Roles for MH Special Permits

- Master hunter
 - Must follow the directions of the conflict specialist, hunt coordinator, and Landowner.
 - Any failure to follow directions may result in removal from the property.

Roles for MH Special Permits

- Master hunter continued
 - Must be EXTREMELY proficient in the hunting equipment required for the hunt
 - Must be prepared to take care of the animal harvested, from field to freezer.
Do not expect the hunt coordinator or any WDFW staff to provide assistance.

MH Special Permits

Only listing hunt coordinator permits.

- 1800 – Republic – 25 deer permits
 - September 1 – December 31
- 1801 – Region 1 – 50 deer permits
 - August 1 – March 31, 2017
- 1802 – Region 2 – 30 deer permits
 - August 1 – March 31, 2017
- 1803 – Region 3 – 40 deer permits
 - August 1st – March 31, 2017

MH Special Permits

- 1804 - Region 5 – 10 deer permits
 - August 1 – March 31, 2017
- 1805 – Region 6 – 20 deer permits
 - July 1 – March 31, 2017
- 2701 – Region 1 – 20 elk permits
 - August 1 – March 31, 2017
- 2702 – Region 2 – 50 elk permits
 - August 1 – March 31, 2017
- 2703 – Fairview – 40 elk permits
 - November 7 – March 31, 2017

MH Special Permits

- 2704 – Region 3 – 25 elk permits
 - August 1 – March 31, 2017
- 2705 – Rattlesnake Hills – 20 elk permits
 - August 1 – February 28, 2017
- 2706 – North Bend – 15 elk permits
 - July 1 – March 31, 2017
- 2707 – Region 4 North – 10 elk permits
 - July 1 – March 31, 2017
- 2708 – Region 4 South – 10 elk permits
 - July 1 – March 31, 2017

MH Special Permits

- 2715 – JBH – 5 elk permits
 - November 1st – December 31st
- 2716 – Region 5 – 40 elk permits
 - August 1st – March 31, 2017
- 2719 – Region 6 – 60 elk permits
 - July 1st – March 31, 2017

Ethical (*and Legal*) Issues

- MHs are a very visible representation of the hunting community
- Landowners have experienced issues with master hunters, such as expecting access to private land, trespassing to hunt or retrieve down game, littering, gates not left as found, etc.
- The public watches and judges all master hunters by the actions they see, which is why you must follow all the highest ethical standards.

“Ethical behavior is doing the right thing when no one else is watching - even when doing the wrong thing is legal.”

— *Aldo Leopold*

“The Father of Wildlife Management”

Violation Examples



Captain Richard Mann

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
Law Enforcement Program

Violations

- The Department must:
 - Suspend a master hunter who pays the fine or is found guilty of an infraction of RCW 77.15 for two years
 - Suspend a master hunter who is found guilty of a misdemeanor, gross misdemeanor, or felony of RCW 77.15 for life

Violations

- Identified on license that they are a Master Hunter
 - Right under their birthdate MH Expires:
- If cited or charged, MHPP has to take action
- Ensure you are legally and ethically hunting and fishing.
 - If it is legal but might be seen as unethical, stay clear.

Violation Examples

- Fishing violations
 - Barbed hooks
 - Undersize fish
 - Over limit
 - Etc.

Violation Examples

- Hunting violations
 - Wrong sex
 - Antler restrictions
 - Wastage
 - Etc.

Violation Examples

- Disobeying any other Department Rule
 - Not obeying signs
 - Parking infractions
 - Etc.

2015 MHPP Suspensions

During 2015 the MHPP had the following lifetime suspensions:

- Life Restriction 1 – A MH was cited and paid the fine for a violation of RCW 77.15.460 - Unlawful use or possession of a loaded firearm, which is a misdemeanor.
- Life Restriction 2 – A MH was cited and paid the fine for a violation of RCW 77.15.380 – Recreational fishing violation in the 2nd degree, which is a misdemeanor.

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- Life Restriction 3 – A MH was cited and paid the fine for a violation of RCW77.15.410 (1) – Unlawful hunting of big game, 2nd degree, which is a gross misdemeanor.
- Life Restriction 4 – A MH was cited and paid the fine for a violation of RCW77.15.410 (1) – Unlawful hunting of big game, 2nd degree, which is a gross misdemeanor.

2015 MHPP Suspensions

During 2015 the MHPP had the following two year suspensions:

- Two Year Suspension 1 – A MH was cited and found guilty for a violation of RCW77.15.160 (1) (b) – Recreational fishing rule violation – Failure to Immediately record catch.
- Two Year Suspension 2 – A MH was cited and found guilty for a violation of RCW77.15.160 (1) (d) (ii) – Recreational fishing rule violation – not in possession of a Fish.

2015 MHPP Suspensions

- Two Year Suspension 3 – A MH was cited and paid the fine for a violation of RCW77.15.160 (5) (b) – Other infractions
- Suspension Until Adjudicated – A MH was cited for a violation of RCW77.15.410 (1) (b) – Unlawful Hunting of Big Game 2nd degree.

Questions/Comments



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